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WING TIPS

REDCAP Mission #17-M-0179: Approximately 10:40 PM on March 16th, Col Mike Beason in Rapid City received a phone call from a person who reported that an aircraft was missing. He then began notifying other members of SDWG. Just after midnight, SDWG had coordinated with the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) at Tyndall AFB in Florida, the Federal Aviation Administration, the Denver Air Traffic Control Center, Ellsworth Approach Control, the Meade County deputy sheriff on duty, SDWG aircrews, and the family of the missing pilot. Using data provided by the by these resources, and later by CAP's Radar and Cell Phone Forensics Team, a Civil Air Patrol Cessna-182/G1000 took off from Rapid City to begin the search on a route roughly between Rapid City and Faith, SD. Using their onboard radio-direction-finding system they quickly detected an active aircraft emergency locator transmitter (ELT) and flew to the area. They were able to refine the location of the aircraft's emergency beacon, and helped guide local law enforcement and rescue personnel to the aircraft wreckage east-south-east of Opal, SD. Local authorities on the ground confirmed that the wreckage was that of the missing aircraft and recovered the deceased pilot. After ensuring the ELT was turned off the CAP search aircraft then returned to Rapid City. The SDWG aircrew was Lt. Col. Craig Goodrich (Mission Pilot) and 2nd Lt. Tricia Weathers (Mission Observer). Col David Small was the Incident Commander and Capt Patrick Nowlin assisted as the Air Operations Branch Director.

- **G1000 TRAINING:** [By Maj. Karla West] A G1000 ground training class was held on 18 March at the Rapid City Airport. Fourteen officers and one cadet gathered for a full day of classroom instruction and hands-on training with the Garmin G1000 aircraft avionics system. Under the instruction of Capt. Josh Hall and Lt. Col. Chuck Trumble, both of Rushmore Composite Squadron, we dove into the workings of the G1000. In addition to PowerPoint modules, open discussion and hands-on training were the most effective tools in understanding of how this all-glass avionics system works. The class is designed for pilots to work toward getting proficient in understanding the workings of this avionics package, but as one of the non-pilots in the

class I found it very informational as well. I had the opportunity to explore and play with the system on the flight home and feel as if I have a much better understanding of how it works. However, no matter how many buttons I pushed and turned I was never able to tune it to get Netflix, I may need another day of training.

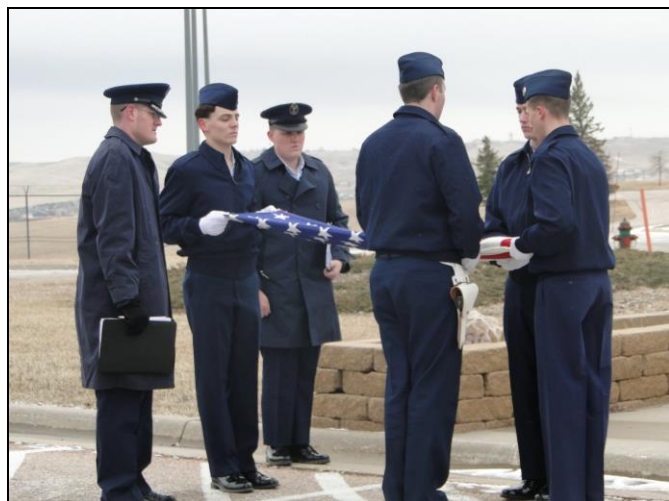


CLASS PARTICIPANTS



HANDS-ON PRACTICE

- **WING CADET COMPETITION:** [by C/2dLt Jaden Petersen] SDWG held the 2017 Wing Cadet Competition at Ellsworth AFB from 10 to 12 March. The competition was organized and led by Maj. Nicholas Gengler, Lt. Col. Linda Buechler, and C/2dLt Jaden Petersen. The cadets competed in several events; indoor and outdoor of the colors, a team leadership problem, a Jeopardy!-style CAP knowledge test, a physical fitness test, and a uniform inspection. The goal was to select the best Cadet Competition team to represent SDWG at the upcoming region and national competitions. The winning team at this year's wing competition was the joint team from Sioux Falls/Big Sioux Composite Squadrons. The team was made up of C/SMSgt Mariel Klosterman and C/SMSgt Annabelle Klosterman of Big Sioux Composite Squadron and C/SSgt. Isaiah Klosterman and C/SSgt. Jacob Roth of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron. They will compete at the National Cadet Competition in Dayton, Ohio on 30 June. More photos of the 2017 Wing Cadet Competition are posted in an album on the SDWG Flickr page at: www.flickr.com/photos/sdwingcap/albums/72157679031644062/with/33048175260/



OUTDOOR POSTING OF THE COLORS EVENT



THE WINNERS – THE JOINT SIOUX FALLS/BIG SIOUX TEAM

- **BOY SCOUT AVIATION MERIT BADGE EVENT:** On 4 March, Scott Wurzbarger, Aviation Merit Badge Counselor, brought Boy Scouts to Rapid City Regional Airport in conjunction with visiting Ellsworth Air Force Base Museum. The Scouts were present to work on their Aviation Merit Badge. SDWG's Lt. Col. Gary Hewett showed the scouts around the facilities at Westjet Air Center, described and demonstrated the walk-around

aircraft inspection and preflight checks of a CAP Cessna-182T aircraft and also spoke about the origin of CAP and our missions. The scouts visited L&D Aero where Mr. Jerry Densmore showed them maintenance projects for inspections of airplanes, recovering fuselages, and he talked about career prospects in aviation. The scouts also visited the Rapid City Regional Airport control tower and the approach control radar center.



BOY SCOUT PARTICIPANTS



BOY SCOUT AVIATION MERIT BADGE



- **AERIAL WILDLIFE SURVEYS:** SDWG flew 17 aerial surveys of terrestrial wildlife over 9 days in March in support of the state Department of Game, Fish & Parks and South Dakota State University. GF&P surveys deer, goats, mountain lions, and elk while SDSU surveys elk, bobcats and big horn sheep. The result was 47.1 hours flying over western South Dakota and the Black Hills and 2.5 hours flying over eastern South Dakota for a total of 49.6 flight hours. CAP pilots were: Lt. Col. Gary Hewett, 5 sorties; Lt. Col. Albert Trumble, 6 sorties; Capt. Neil Schmid, 1 sortie; Lt. Col. Buck DeWeese, 3 sorties; and Lt. Col. Craig Goodrich, 2 sorties. Depending on whom the sortie supported the pilot was accompanied by a representative from South Dakota State University or from the department of Game Fish & Parks.

STAFF NOTES



WING COMMANDER

Col. David Small Jr., CAP

- We've acquired four blue CAP polo shirts that can be used by members who are not in proper uniform if they need to fly. Two will be at wing HQ and two in Sioux Falls. I know there have been instances where members wanted to fly but were not in uniform. This will work as long as they have grey pants/black shoes.

- **NCR CONFERENCE:** The 2016 North Central Region Conference was held 24-26 March in Omaha, NE. Several SDWG officers and cadets, including SDWG commander Col David Small attended. The North Central Region, also known as Region 5, is commanded by Col Regena Aye. The region consists of seven wings: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota. As is typical for such conventions Saturday morning began with a general assembly. This was followed, for officers, by breakout sessions on Operations, Aerospace Education, Professional Development, Cadet Programs Communications and Inspector General. For the cadets there was a DDR activity, an all-hands meeting of the NCR Cadet Advisory Council, a leadership exercise, and a meeting with Brigadier General Richard Anderson, Chairman of the CAP National

Advisory Council. Saturday evening concluded with a banquet and presentation of awards. Sunday morning was occupied with a tabletop exercise. The NCR Conference ended after the exercise concluded.

- SDWG's Klosterman family won North Central Region "Region Family of the Year" Award
- SDWG won the "Paul W Turner Safety Award" for the North Central Region and is in contention for the national award.



WING CHIEF OF STAFF

Maj. Nick Gengler, CAP

- **UPCOMING EVENTS:** Here are a few upcoming events that you will want to mark on your calendar.

ANNOUNCING: Registration is still open for the 2017 South Dakota Wing Conference

Where will it be? — Arrowwood Cedar Shore Resort, Oacoma, SD

When will it be? — Friday to Sunday, 21 to 23 April 2017

Why should you go?

- You'll have a good time. Meet old friends. Meet new friends. Establish networking relationships to make your CAP challenges easier to solve.
- Great opportunity to get more educated about CAP – There will be more seminars and workshops this year – and not just death by PowerPoint!
- Find what's new in SD wing and where we're headed. Col. Don Mikitta, Chaplain of the North Central Region, will be there to present on the updates for Chaplains and Character Development Officers and their involvement in the Emergency Services Mission for CAP.
- We will be presenting the first ever SD Civil Air Patrol Hall of Fame Inductee Ceremony!
- We're including activities on Friday afternoon such as training and demonstration on the newest addition to the SD CAP fleet of aircraft, the UAV named PIXIE. Sunday we are going to work to get Cadet O-rides.
- The hotel is one of the nicest in the state, and we've got great rates!

Why should you register?

- We need to know how many people to plan for. We need to know who's coming.

How do you register?

- The ONLY way to register is to do it on Eventbrite. Here's a shortened link:
<http://tinyurl.com/2017SDWG> Please make a separate registration for each individual.

What else do you need to do?

- Reserve your hotel room at the Arrowwood Cedar Shore Resort by calling (605) 734-6376 and mention to them that you're with the Civil Air Patrol. We get special rates on room at \$91 per night. Make your reservations soon before all the rooms are gone!
- Check out the Eventbrite site for details on what uniform should I wear? And scheduling details.

8-16 July – Joint Dakota Cadet Leadership Encampment (JDCLE) to be held at Camp Rapid Army National Guard Base in Rapid City. Capt. Mike Johnson is the encampment commander. Contact him at Michael.johnson@sdcap.us for info. Encampment registration is now open! Check out the registration page here: www.eventbrite.com/e/joint-dakota-encampment-2017-tickets-31603041548. Early bird registration goes until May 31. Keep an eye on the registration page as time gets closer for updates and packing lists. There will be a First-Year course and an Advanced course for those that have been to an Encampment before that still want to challenge themselves and receive advanced training. Cadets, remember to work with your Squadron Commanders on a transportation plan to get to and from Encampment. Don't forget about Scholarships! Check out the Cadet Encampment Assistance Program in Eservices for first year attendees. For returning attendees and staff, check out the Wing scholarships here: www.sdcap.us/scholarships. Finally check out the Joint Dakota Encampment Facebook page for continuing updates: <https://www.facebook.com/CAPJDE/>



WING DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Lt. Col. Craig Goodrich, CAP

- **OPERATIONS EXERCISE SUCCESS:** [By Lt. Col. Michael Marek] Civil Air Patrol demonstrated readiness to launch over 100 aircraft during a recent Department of Defense exercise. The exercise, which included multiple military and federal agencies, simulated a cyber-attack causing commercial communications systems to fail. In such a real-world emergency, CAP could be tasked with extensive damage assessment air sorties. "This is a developing mission for CAP," said John Desmarais, CAP director of operations. "Cyber-attacks and other events that take out some or all of the commercial communications and power systems constitute a real threat, in the eyes of our DoD customers." Exercise tasking was received via secure High Frequency (HF) radio messages and distributed to wings via CAP's extensive HF radio network. Wings responded to the tasking as tabletop sorties, identified available aircraft and air crews, and reported back by radio. Those reports of available assets were used as exercise input by command staff at the top level of the exercise. "In a real 'very bad day' scenario in which commercial systems fail, HF radio could be the only way of getting urgent messages across the country," noted Malcolm Kyser, CAP Chief of Communications. "CAP's role in this kind of mission will be crucial because we have both the experienced air crews that can report what's happening across the country, and the expert radio operators to receive and report sortie tasking with high accuracy. Close to 300 CAP radio stations participated in the exercise." The exercise on 28 February was the third such DoD exercise in recent months simulating communications systems failure in which CAP has participated. CAP is currently developing an after action report to document lessons learned, to be applied to future exercises and planning.

[Editor's Note] Capt. Jerry Gabert, Assistant Wing Director of Communications, reports that SDWG took part in the exercise. Participants were 2nd Lt. Todd Dravland and 2nd Lt. Ryon Skaggs (both of Pierre Composite Squadron), 2nd Lt. Jeff Shawd (Sioux Falls Composite Squadron) and possibly Lt. Col. Dave Jeffries (Rushmore Composite Squadron).



ASSISTANT WING HISTORIAN

Lt. Col. Bruce Kipp, CAP

- **NEW HISTORICAL ITEMS:** There are three new items in the History category of the Wing History section on the Wing website – copies of the 1942, 1943 and 1944 South Dakota Aeronautics Commission reports to the Governor. The second half of the 1942 report describes and discusses the formation of the South

Dakota Wing. It is very interesting reading. The 1943 report places less emphasis on SDWG but it too is interesting. The 1943 report barely mentions SDWG and is more focused on end of war planning. Many thanks to Capt. Jon Becker of the Pierre Composite Squadron for discovering these gems.

- **CAP NATIONAL HISTORICAL JOURNAL**: The CAP National Historical Journal (NHJ), Volume III, Number III, July – December 2016 is now available online. This outstanding 39-page issue covers the history of the CAP from its founding to present day. Especially interesting are the year-by-year reviews of the post-WWII, Cold War and post-Cold War eras. The NHJ is available online at <http://history.cap.gov/capnhj>. I have a pdf copy that I can send you if you would like one.



DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Col. Mary Donley, CAP

- **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**: There will be a Squadron Leadership School (SLS) course offered at Rushmore Composite Squadron in Rapid City, Saturday, 29 April for members in West River. Please contact Col. Mary Donley at mary.donley@sdcap.us if you are interested in attending this training.



WING DIRECTOR OF CADET/DRUG/HEALTH PROGRAMS

Lt. Col. Linda Buechler, CAP,

- SD Wing Cadet Programs is planning the National Character Development Weekend which will be held the 8-10 September in Sioux Falls. Bivouacking will be at the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron.
- Planning is underway for a trip to the Fagen Fighters WWII Museum in Granite Falls, MN. The museum is home to a great collection of fully operational, active aircraft and vehicles from World War II. Featured are fine art, bronze sculptures, interactive multimedia displays, and an ever-growing library. The facility is designed as a self-guided experience, and gives a rare look into the lives and legacy of the "Greatest Generation".

SQUADRON HIGHLIGHTS

BIG SIOUX COMPOSITE SQUADRON (SD-58, BROOKINGS)

(Item and photo submitted by C/SMSgt A. Klosterman)

- **CYBER DEFENSE COMPETITION**: From 31 March to 1 April, members of the Big Sioux and Sioux Falls CyberPatriot teams competed with several Dakota State University students in the Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition (CCDC) in Madison. CCDC is the college-level defensive security competition that CyberPatriot is based on. The scenario they were given was that they were a country that had an election going on and the teams were tasked to secure their voting systems during the election. The teams worked to secure 20 Windows and Linux machines and defend them from live attacks over the course of the eight hour competition. The team placed third out of nine teams in the "services" category (i.e. keeping customer's services operating as intended). In the photo, center right left to right: C/Amn Hunter Zimmerman, C/TSgt David Willison, C/MSgt

Chris Shuppan, C/SMSgt Annabelle Klosterman, C/SMSgt Mariel Klosterman, C/SSgt Isaiah Klosterman, and C/SSgt Peter Willison.



- **AFROTC FLIGHTS**: The squadron hosted several AFROTC orientation flights flown by members of the Big Sioux and Sioux Falls Composite Squadrons. CAP has a Memorandum of Agreement with the Air Force ROTC Program to introduce AFROTC cadets to the aviation environment through flight in a CAP aircraft.



AIR FORCE ROTC CADET O-RIDERS

- **CADET COMMAND CHANGE**: On 23 March, Cadet Senior Master Sergeant Mariel Klosterman assumed command of the squadron's cadet corps from Cadet Second Lieutenant Jaden Petersen. In a time-honored traditional change-of-command ceremony Petersen symbolically transferred cadet command authority to Klosterman, presided over by Squadron Commander Maj. E.W. Filler.

CRAZY HORSE COMPOSITE SQUADRON (SD-068, CUSTER)

(Items and photo submitted by Capt. Bierwirth)

- **CUSTER TRADE SHOW:** We were the greeters at the Custer Chamber of Commerce's 5th Annual Trade Show on 3 March. This is a fundraiser for our squadron and we get a lot of exposure. More than 60 vendors and non-profit organizations ranging from financial businesses to make-up and home improvement were present. As usual we had a prominent presence at the show and touched base with just about everyone.



- **COLOR GUARD:** Our Color Guard received 4th place at the 2017 SDWG Cadet Competition held on 11 March. Wing Commander Col. David Small presented certificates and a plaque to Color Guard members (l-r) C/TSgt Hunter Rice, C/2dLt Thomas Dillon, C/SMSgt Anthony Dillon and C/SrA Robert Hewitt. C/2dLt Thomas Dillon received 1st place in the speech category.



- **CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT:** Custer Election Board member Mrs. Janet Serino taught our character development class. She educated us on the election process, the importance in registering to vote and where to go to register. She stressed that we are valuable and that our vote counts.

- **HELPING HAND-1:** Lt. Col. Myra Christensen came to our squadron and taught the ICS-100 class so that we can earn our Ground Team-3 level.

- **HELPING HAND-2:** 2nd Lt Tim Modde and Maj Richard Geeting helped plan and attended the G1000 course that was held in Rapid City.

PIERRE COMPOSITE SQUADRON (SD-038, PIERRE)

(Item and photos submitted by Lt. Col. Gatje)

- **WARBIRD RESTORATION:** Everyone loves to hear tales of a warbird. Some are lucky enough to have flown them, some have ridden in them, and some get to lovingly restore them. This is a tale of the latter. Capt. Richard Helton, former commander and current member of the Pierre Composite Squadron has been engaged in the early stages of restoring “Night Fright”, a C-47 Skytrain transport aircraft produced in October 1943. He worked with two aircraft engineers in Shell Creek, Florida for a month and a half to dismantle the aircraft so it could be shipped to England. The actual restoration work will be done at Coventry, England. This aircraft, based at RAF Membury, England flew two missions over Normandy during the D-Day operation. The first flight was during the predawn hours towing a glider. The second sortie was later that same day towing another glider. The aircraft was saved by Charlie Walker who owns the former RAF Membury airfield southeast of London. After restoration the aircraft will be in flying condition and will be based at RAF Membury, making it the only C-47 aircraft to be returned to its original wartime station.



SIoux FALLS COMPOSITE SQUADRON (SD-050, SIoux FALLS)

(Items and photo submitted by Maj. Epp and 2dLt. Mimi Klosterman)

- **NEW CADET**: Welcome new member Tyler Langman! We are pleased that you decided to join CAP and are proud to have you in our squadron. Welcome Aboard!

- **RIBBON CUTTING / OPEN HOUSE**: The squadron recently joined the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. One benefit of being a new member is hosting a ribbon cutting ceremony. Ours, on 30 March, commemorated the 75th anniversary of CAP and the Cadet Program. In attendance were over 20 business leaders in our community as well as Wing Commander Col. David Small, Wing Vice Commander Lt. Col. Buck DeWeese and Lt. Col. Jeff Meyers from CAP-USAF. Squadron Commander Maj. Todd Epp and C/1Lt Blake Hayden both said a few words about CAP and thanked the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce for the recognition. We'll get a photo in the Chamber newsletter. That photo has already been shared to good popularity on our social media platforms.

As part of being a new member of the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, we received some advertising from a couple radio stations and utilized it to promote our Open House. In addition to the radio ads, Facebook ads, EventBrite, community calendars, emails and word of mouth were used in our marketing campaign.

The squadron held its first Open House of the year on 30 March. The theme was STEMful Night, to promote the Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics activities that the CAP program has. The evening started with opening formation and a short presentation by Maj. Epp and C/1Lt Blake Hayden. We had stations set up in different areas of the squadron area that included activities like model rockets, robotics, emergency services, cybersecurity, flight simulator, radio communications, Drug Demand and Reduction, Color Guard, and Wreaths Across America.

We had a great turnout with about 40+ prospective cadets and parents. By the end of the evening, there were 5 adults that completed their membership applications. We beat our goal of two adult memberships! Based on the parents that attended, they will be back with their students to check out our weekly cadet meetings. We anticipate surpassing our goal of three new cadets!

Special thanks go to 2nd Lt. Mimi Klosterman and her team for a fabulous job planning and executing the event. Also special thanks to Cadets Blake Hayden and Jaden Roblewsky for their planning and to Chaplain Gary Rae for making sure we could actually get to the flight line and that everyone was safe.



RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY WELCOMING THE SQUADRON AS A NEW MEMBER OF THE SIOUX FALLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

- **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**: Assistant Wing Government Relations Officer and SFCS member 2nd Lt. Manny Steele attended the monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce's Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. We were well received and we are with a good group of people. Lt. Steele, Maj. Epp, or others will be attending the monthly meetings.

- **SLS / CLC**: [By Col. Mary Donley, Wing Director of Professional Development] On 4 February, several members of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron gathered to participate in important Professional Development courses. Four members completed the Squadron Leadership School (SLS) which provides CAP's adult members with a basic understanding of CAP operations at squadron level and how those operations affect CAP's national missions. Additionally, members learn more about CAP customs, core values, and communications. Those completing SLS were: 2Lt. Mimi Klosterman, 2Lt. Christina Johnson, 2Lt. Lucinda Helmes and FO Catherine Foy. Six members participated in the Corporate Learning Course (CLC), part of Level III of the Senior Program Training. This course focuses on how squadrons work with wing-level personnel and beyond. It also focuses on how to accomplish the three missions of CAP. Those who completed CLC were: Lt. Col. Ron Evenson, Maj. Jerry Zurowski, Capt. Neil Schmid, 1Lt. Andrew Moline, 2Lt. Manny Steele and 2Lt. Denise Clement. A big thank you to the instructors who volunteered their time and talent to inform and educate these members: Maj. Todd Epp, Lt. Col. (Chap.) Gary Rae, Lt. Col. Ron Evenson, Capt. Karen Espeland-Terry, Col. Mike Beason and NCR Assistant Director of Operations Greg Maier (retired AF).



SQUADRON LEADERSHIP SCHOOL GRADUATES



CORPORATE LEARNING COURSE GRADUATES

★ ★ PROMOTIONS ★ ★

Senior Member Promotion



Congratulations to Jerry Zurovski of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron on his promotion to the rank of Major!

Cadet Officer Promotion



Congratulations to Kyle Clement of Sioux Falls, member of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron on promotion to the rank of Cadet First Lieutenant! In addition, C/1Lt Clement has been appointed to his squadron's cadet staff as Administrative Officer.

Cadet Noncommissioned Officer Promotions



Congratulations to Logan Wallace of Rapid City, a member of the Rushmore Composite Squadron on his promotion to Cadet Chief Master Sergeant and receipt of the Dr. Robert H Goddard Award!



Congratulations to Peter Willison of Sioux Falls, a member of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron on their promotion to the rank of Cadet Staff Sergeant and receipt of the Wright Brothers Award!



Cadet Airman Promotion



Congratulations to Dalton Streff of Custer, a member of the Crazy Horse Composite Squadron on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Airman and receipt of the General J.F. Curry Award!



★ ★ RACHEL'S BULLETIN BOARD ★ ★

[Editor's Note: Introducing a new feature – "Rachel's Bulletin Board" edited by 2dLt. Rachel Kuecker, Wing Administrator and member of the Rushmore Composite Squadron]

Welcome to the volunteers page. This page is designed *for you* and your events outside of CAP and to get to know each other better.

Welcome! This page got its start from other volunteers/members like you. We want to know more about you outside of CAP. This page is to celebrate those milestones/events in your life that we often don't know about. This is only the beginning. I know there is more to celebrate!

It will require your help and input, but I know you all have something going on in your lives worth sharing or celebrating. (I read Facebook). **Disclaimer: This page is for fun only – it is not meant to embarrass or single anyone out. Please let me know at wa@sdcap.us if you have any questions at all.**

The Volunteer spotlight is a good way to let others know who you are. We are all volunteers (no matter the age or experience). I am going to start spotlighting the Wing Staff members until I get some more volunteers. (Col. Small was willing to be my guinea pig).



*Lee Vaughan - Shoulder surgery

*Karla West - Knee surgery

*Linda Buechler - Respiratory illness and asthma



*Blake Hayden has been accepted to the Navy and Army academies but he's holding out for Air Force

*Devon Brown will be reporting the Great Lakes Navy Induction Center as an enlistee sometime this spring

*Nick Nash is a first year cadet at the U.S. Air Force Academy



* Can you name the last five SD Wing Commanders without looking it up? (no dates this time, I will make it harder as we go along) First e-mail I get with the correct answer will win.



(I am starting with Col. Small as he agreed to be my guinea pig, but would love to mix it up and feature two volunteers each month. Volunteers are needed - same questions each month)



Col. David G. Small Jr.

1. How long have you been in CAP?

I hate to say that I only joined on 7 Sep 2007 - I wish that I had heard about CAP as a teenager because I would have absolutely loved it.

2. What is your favorite thing about being in CAP?

Working with the cadets - the future of our state and nation. Watching them go from scared 12 year old children to young adults in the military, college or other productive endeavors.

3. What type of work do you do when not in CAP?

I work with a very small dental supply business based in North Carolina that sells everything from latex gloves to dental electronic devices.

4. Do you have any children/pets?

Two sons, both CAP senior members and products of the cadet program and both cadet officers. Their experience in CAP is what solidified my commitment to CAP. Two cats - not CAP members - Serakit (named after the queen of Thailand - which would be a punishable offence in Thailand) and Smoky, a dumb grey mutt cat. A few guppies in my aquarium - no names.

5. What do you like to do in your spare time/hobbies?

Spare time??? I love travel, seeing this country and the world. Photography, woodworking, metalworking, electronics - too many interests and not enough time or money.

6. Anything else you want to share that helps us know you better?

I am a vegetarian who has never eaten meat in my life.



****Ask the Commander ** Spotlight an Airport ** Your fun facts****

Send me your ideas - want to be our featured volunteer? Do you have a fun trivia or fact to share? Are you graduating soon - high school, college, basic training, etc? Did you get promoted at work, have a baby, get married, become a pilot, celebrate a milestone anniversary (25 years +) etc? Pilots – do you have a favorite South Dakota airport/runway that you want to see spotlighted? Please send me your info to wa@sdcap.us

